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In re Application

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Application No. 10/642,937

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Attorney Docket No. 3718611-06135

: DECISION ON APPLICATION

: FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT

This is a decision on the "REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(b)" filed on May 19, 2011. Applicants request that the initial determination of Patent Term Adjustment for the above-identified patent be corrected from 1116 days to 675 days.

The application for patent term adjustment is GRANTED.

The Office has updated the PALM and PAIR screen to reflect that the Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is 675 days. A copy of the updated PALM screen, showing the revised determination, is enclosed.

On April 1, 2011, the Office mailed a Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. § 154(b) in the above-identified application, stating that the patent term adjustment to date was 1116 days (1260 days of Office delay and 144 days of applicant delay). This application for patent term adjustment was timely filed prior to payment of the issue fee.

Applicants assert that under 35 USC 132, the first action mailed by the USPTO was the restriction requirement mailed January 9, 2007 and thus, the period from fourteen months after the date the application was filed until the date the restriction requirement was mailed, was a period of 813 days Office delay pursuant to 37 CFR 1.702(a)(1), and not 1254 days for the mailing of the non-Final Office Action on March 25, 2008.

Applicants' argument is persuasive. The restriction requirement mailed January 9, 2007 is the first Office action in the application. As such, the 14 month period for Office delay started on October 18, 2004 and ended on January 9, 2007, and the period of adjustment for Office delay under 37 CFR 1.702(a)(1) is 813 days. The period of adjustment for Office delay of 1254 days will be removed and a period of 813 days will be entered.

In view thereof, the patent term adjustment at the time of the mailing of the notice of allowance is SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE (675) days.

The Office acknowledges submission of the \$200.00 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(e). No additional fees are required.

The Office of Data Management has been advised of this decision. The application is thereby forwarded to the Office of Data Management for issuance of the patent. The patent term adjustment indicated on the patent (as shown on the Issue Notification mailed about three weeks prior to patent issuance) will include any additional adjustment accrued both for Office delay in issuing the patent more than four months after payment of the issue fee and satisfaction of all outstanding requirements, and if applicable, for the Office taking in excess of three years to issue the patent (to the extent that the three-year period does not overlap with periods already accorded).

Telephone inquiries specific to this decision should be directed to the undersigned Petitions Attorney at (571) 272-3212.

/Patricia Faison-Ball/ Senior Petitions Attorney Office of Petitions

Attachment: Copy of update PALM calculation



Patent

Term

Adjustments

PTA/PTE Information Patent Term Adjustment Patent Term Extension

Application Number*: 10642937

Search Explanation of PTA Calculation Explanation of PTE Calculation

PTA Calculations for Application: 10642937

Application Filing Date 08/18/2003	OverLapping Days Between (A and B) or (A and C) 0
Issue Date of Patent	Non-Overlapping USPTO Delays: 1260
A Delays 1260	PTO Manual Adjustment -441
B Delays 0	Applicant Delay (APPL) ₁₄₄
C Delays 0	Total PTA (days) 675

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53	03/29/2011		IREV	Issue Revision Completed			0	
.52	03/29/2011		DVER	Document Verification			0	
.51	03/29/2011		EX.A	Examiner's Amendment Communication			0	
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41	03/02/2011		RCEX	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			0	
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135	01/21/2011		_	Electronic Review			0	
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133	01/21/2011		MCTFR	Mail Final Rejection (PTOL - 326)			0	
132	01/18/2011		CTFR	Final Rejection			0	
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